



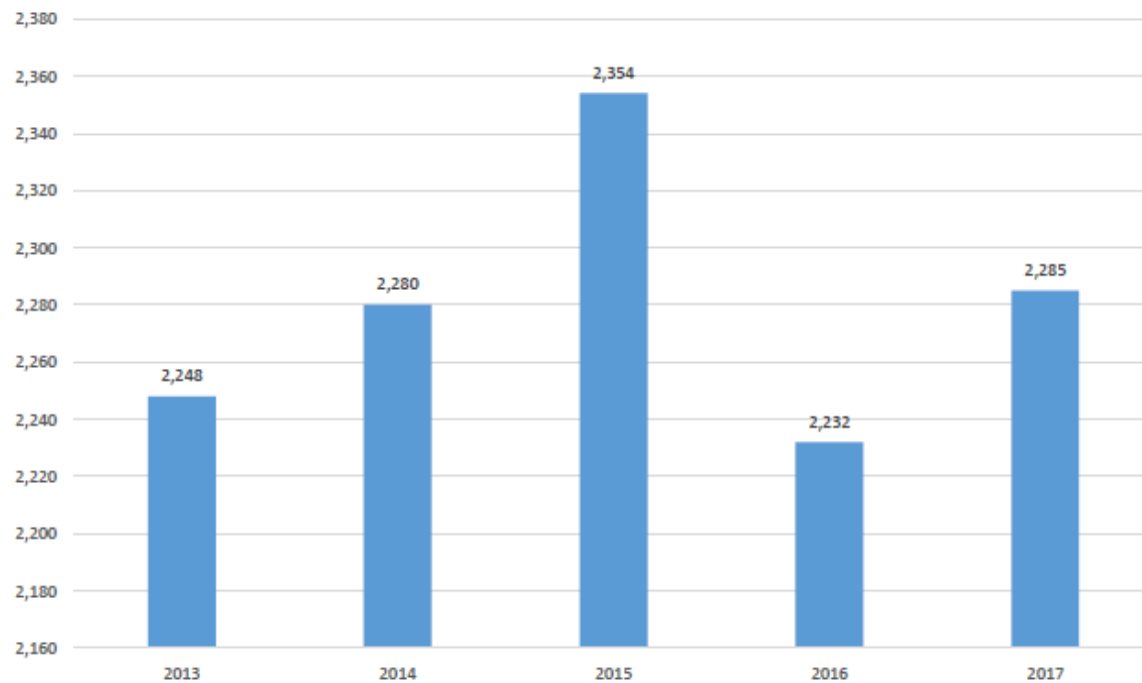
# Detroit Free Press

In 2016, a staggering 12,000 pedestrians were killed in the United States. 16% of all motor vehicle fatalities now involve a pedestrian.

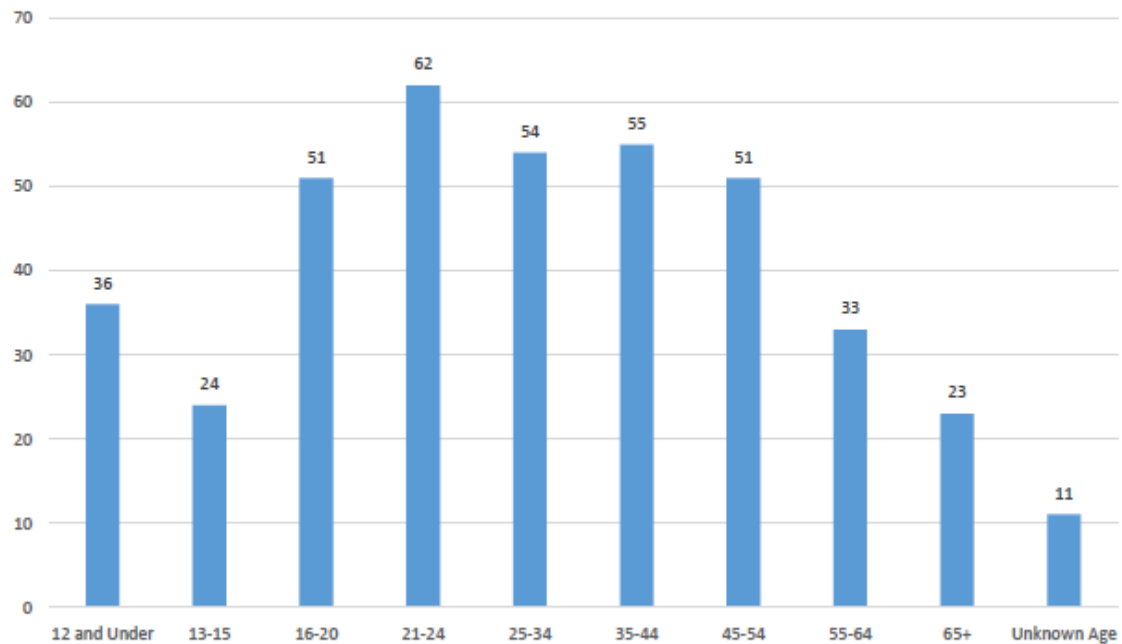
# Cars -vs- Pedestrians

- <https://nbc25news.com/news/local/cars-vs-pedestrians-how-many-people-killed-in-mid-michigan>

## Statewide Pedestrian Crashes



## Age of Pedestrians



# 20 y/o Bobbi Roberts

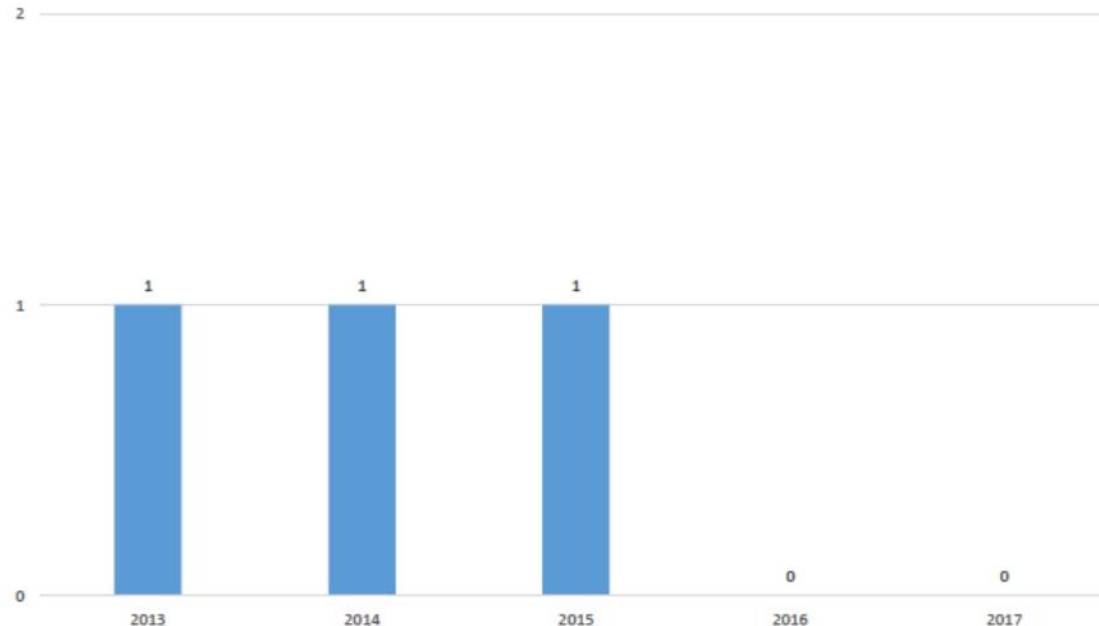


- Bobbi Roberts, a pedestrian who was fatally struck by a car on November 29, 2013, near Gratiot Avenue in Clinton Township. The driver remains unknown and Crime Stoppers of Michigan is offering a \$2,500 reward for tips.
- A newly released report, Dangerous by Design 2019, ranked the region including Detroit, Warren and Dearborn 18th among the top 20 most dangerous metropolitan areas for walking. Michigan placed 19th in its top 20 most dangerous states. (Detroit News)

# August 29, 2018 Kalamazoo Report



## School Bus-Involved





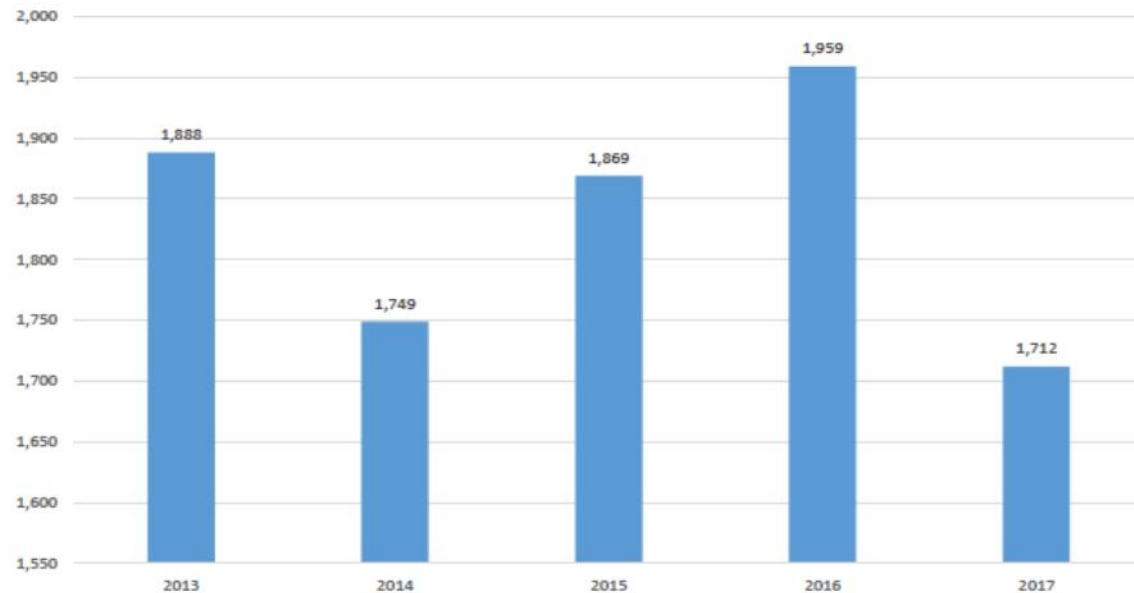


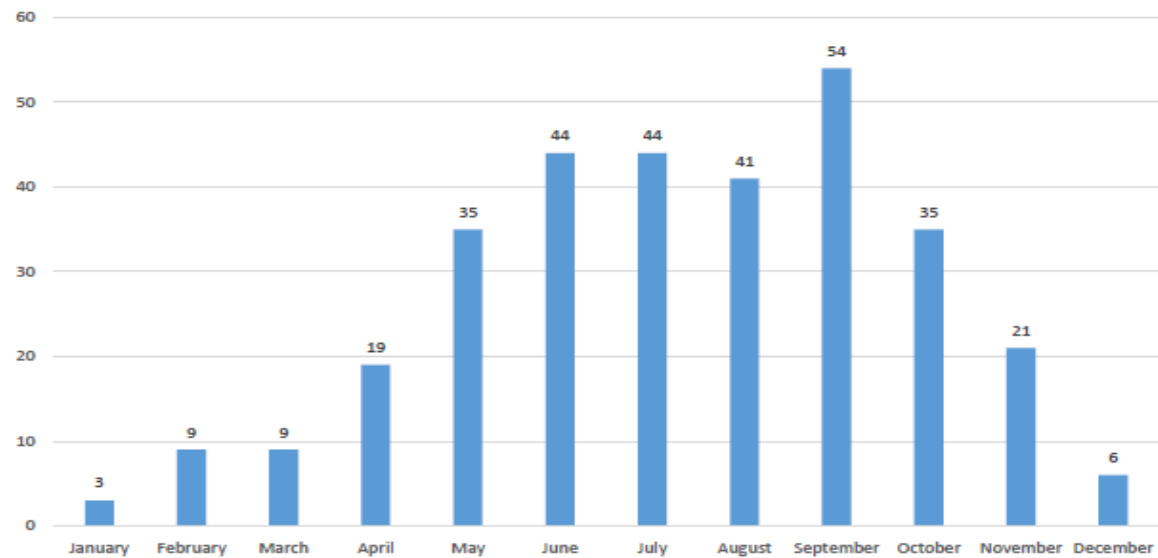
**Two-wheeled vehicles  
beware as well!!!**

# August 29, 2018 Report Cont.

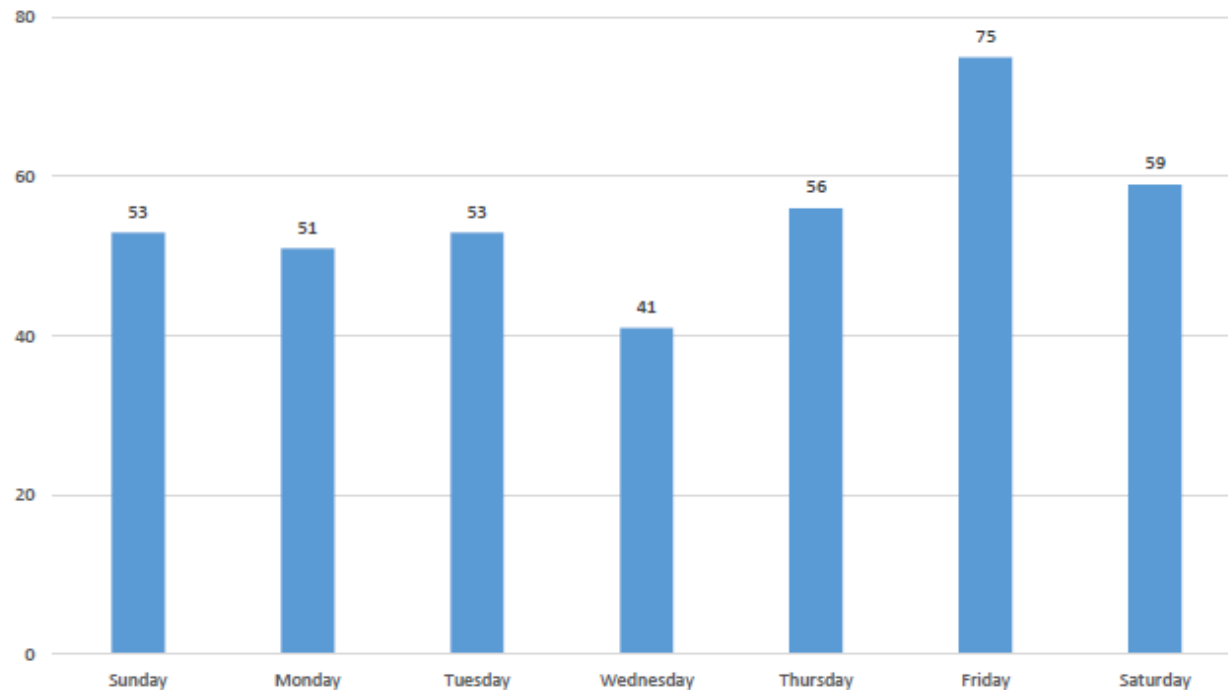


## Statewide Bicycle Crashes

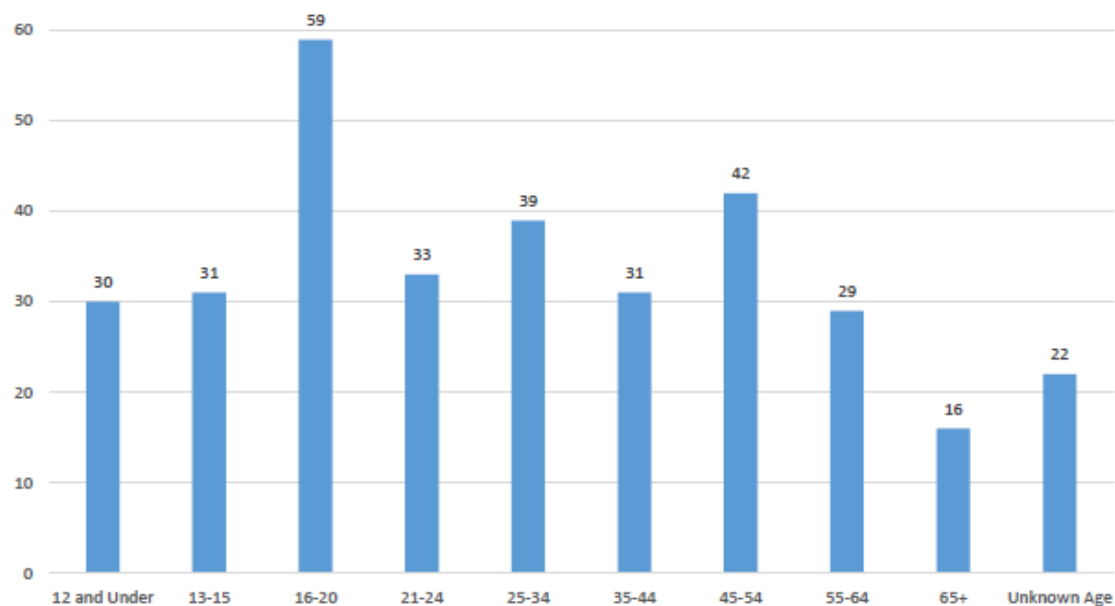




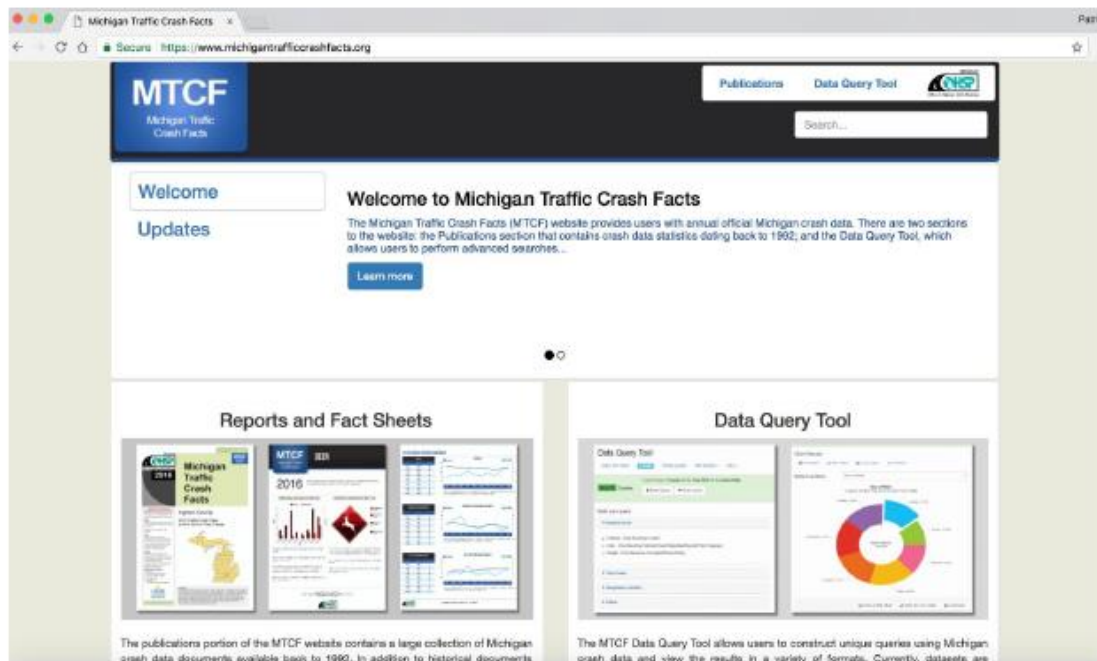
## Day of Week



## Age of Bicyclists



## Michigan Traffic Crash Facts



The publications portion of the MTCF website contains a large collection of Michigan crash data documents available back to 1992. In addition to historical documents

The MTCF Data Query Tool allows users to construct unique queries using Michigan crash data and view the results in a variety of formats. Currently, datasets are

[www.MichiganTrafficCrashFacts.org](http://www.MichiganTrafficCrashFacts.org)

# THE INFAMOUS “BIRD”



# AGE IS NOT FACTOR!!!



## ROAD RAGE

Get out of the fast lane, sucker!



# HIGHLY EMOTIONAL CHAIN OF EVENTS



# Tips to Avoid Road Rage

- Avoid Tailgating
- Allow adequate travel time.
- Be a conscious and courteous driver.
- Avoid using high beams with oncoming traffic
- Do not give in to feelings of anger or rage on the road.
- Do not stare and think twice before you honk.
- Do not scream/yell vulgarity or throw the "birdie".
- If you feel threatened and believe you're being followed, call 911, then drive to public area or police station.
- Get home safely!

It's the law....





PA 279 of 2018 requires a motorist attempting to overtake a bicyclist traveling in the same direction give at least three feet to the left of the bicyclist as they pass until they have safely passed the bicyclist. **The motorist may drive to the left of the center of the highway to pass a bicyclist if it is safe to do so, regardless of if the vehicle is in a no-passing zone.**

## **257.655 Pedestrians on highways; violation as civil infraction.**

Where sidewalks are provided, a pedestrian shall not walk upon the main traveled portion of the highway. Where sidewalks are not provided, pedestrians shall, when practicable, walk on the left side of the highway facing traffic which passes nearest.

**MCL 257.658(4)** A person less than 19 years old shall wear a crash helmet when operating an electric skateboard.

**MCL 257.658(9)** A person less than 12 years old shall not operate an electric skateboard on a public highway or street.



# What's New

## VEHICLE CODE

*The Michigan Vehicle Code amended to require drivers to reduce speed by at least 10 mph below the speed limit when approaching certain stationary vehicles with flashing, rotating, or oscillating lights proceeding in the same direction.*

### **Stationary Authorized Emergency Vehicles**

Public Act 349 of 2018 amended MCL 257.653a to require a driver approaching and passing a stationary “authorized emergency vehicle,” as defined under MCL 257.2, giving a visual signal with flashing, rotating, or oscillating lights to reduce his or her speed by at least 10 mph below the posted speed limit when on a roadway with at least two adjacent lanes proceeding in the same direction as that stationary vehicle.

In addition, the driver is required to proceed with caution and yield the right-of-way by moving to a lane that is at least one moving lane or two vehicle widths apart from the stationary authorized emergency vehicle, unless directed otherwise by a police officer. MCL 257.653a(1)(a).

# Slow Down! And Move Over

## **MICHIGAN'S EMERGENCY VEHICLE CAUTION LAW**

Michigan's Emergency Vehicle Caution Law, more commonly known as the Move Over Law, requires motorists to slow down and move over for stationary emergency vehicles with their lights activated.

When approaching a stationary emergency vehicle with its emergency lights activated, carefully slow down to at least 10 mph below the posted speed limit and fully move over into an open lane.

If this is not possible due to traffic, weather, or road conditions, slow down to at least 10 mph below the posted speed limit, and pass with caution allowing the emergency vehicle as much space as possible.

The law applies to the following vehicles:

- ■ Police
- ■ Fire
- ■ Rescue
- ■ Ambulance
- ■ Road Service
- ■ Road Maintenance
- ■ Utility Service
- ■ Solid Waste Hauler
- ■ Road service vehicles include tow trucks and courtesy vehicles operated by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

## **PENALTIES**

A motorist violating the Move Over Law is responsible for a civil infraction and is subject to [two points](#) on their driver's license and a [fine of \\$400](#).

Motorists face felony charges and enhanced penalties of up to 15 years in prison and/or a \$7,500 fine if the violation causes death to a police officer, firefighter, or other emergency response personnel. For injury to a police officer, firefighter or other emergency response personnel the motorist is guilty of a felony and the penalty is up to 2 years in prison and/or a \$1,000 fine.



# Penalties...

Improper passing ticket is a three-point violation and is a civil infraction under MCL 257.636. Civil infraction fees are set by local jurisdictions, if paid on time, include Detroit (\$130), Grand Rapids (\$124, and for all accidents, add \$30), Ingham County (\$125), Ann Arbor (\$140), Kalamazoo (\$115), Marquette (\$125), and Midland (\$135). Since improper passing is a moving violation, the court fines go to the local court, and the fees go to fund Michigan libraries.

# Hands Free!!

Bicycle and Trail Advocacy Day on May 22, 2019



## **Governor Whitmer's Legislative Initiatives in the 2019 State of the State Address**

Governor Whitmer's first State of the State address outlined the challenges facing our state, highlighted actions taken to address these issues, and set a blueprint for legislative priorities. Below are five different legislative initiatives that Governor Whitmer outlined in her speech:

### **Hands-Free Laws**

Governor Whitmer called on the legislature to join 16 other states in adopting hands-free driving laws, which ban any use of a mobile devices while driving, with a few exceptions, under penalty of law.

In 2016, 3,450 people were killed in distracted driving accidents in the U.S. and nearly 400,000 were injured in 2015. Currently in Michigan, texting while driving is illegal. However, it is difficult to enforce and leaves many other forms of phone use open to drivers in Michigan. The proposed legislation would ban any use of a mobile device by any driver of any type of vehicle except emergency responders or someone legitimately requesting emergency services via 911.

# How can we help?



## Public Education

### ○ Motorists

- Minimum 3 feet when passing vulnerable users
- Look for and expect to see bicyclists and pedestrians
- Avoid distracted driving
- Look around you before opening vehicle door
- Do not park or drive in bike lanes

# Avoid This



# Clean Off This



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# Watch Out For This



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# Slow Down For This



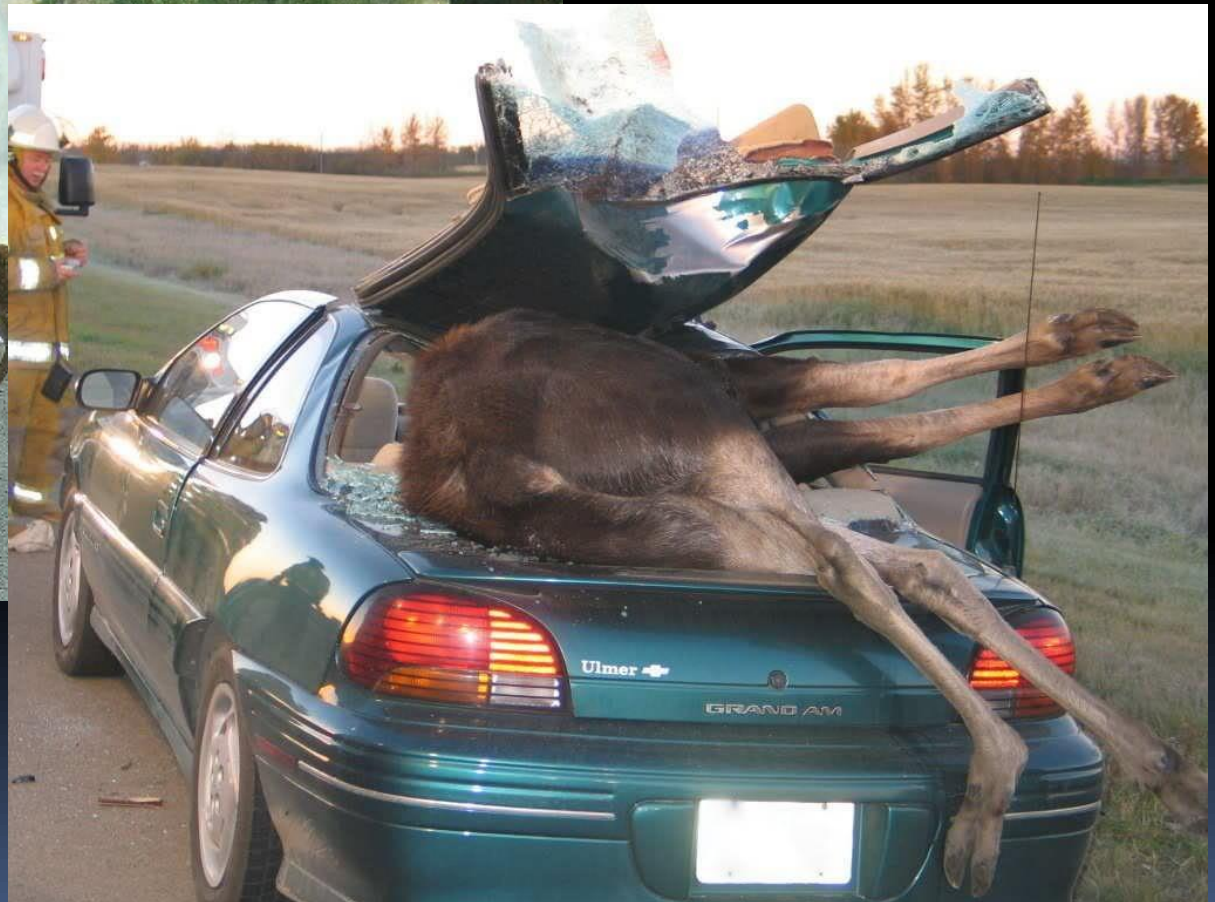


# And These





# Watch Out For These



# Know What To Do When You See This



What is the law?



# Move Over/ Slow Down for These



# And These





Please Report This....









Sweden bus stop for VRU's  
designed to flash when  
students are present.





# White Pigeon School District

<https://wsbt.com/news/local/white-pigeon-community-schools-equipping-students-with-flashing-reflectors-for-safety>

# All Hands On Deck



# Safeguarding Those We Love





**Thank You!**